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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, TU
SUBJECT: ANNUAL HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT ON TURKEY

REF: A) ANKARA 0804, B) STATE 24552

1. MID-MORNING JANUARY 31 EMBOFF ADVISED MFA WESTERN
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR AYDIN YEGEN OF MODIFICATIONS IN THE
HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT ON TURKEY AS CONTAINED IN REF B.
YEGEN CAREFULLY TOOK NOTE OF THE CHANGES, EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT
AT MINOR CHARACTER OF CHANGES AND SAID HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY
INFORM FONMIN OKCUN. HE ALSO SAID THAT AMBASSADOR ESENBEL
HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE A DEMARCHE IN WASHINGTON
EXPRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THE HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT

2. YEGEN TELEPHONED EMBOFF APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR LATER
TO SAY THAT HE HAD TOLD THE FONMIN OF MODIFICATIONS AND
THE FONMIN HAD ASKED HIM TO CALL AND SAY THAT IN VIEW
OF THE MINOR CHARACTER OF THE CHANGES, FONMIN DID NOT FEEL
THAT HIS PRESENTATION OF LAST NIGHT HAD BEEN ANSWERED AND
HE TRUSTED EFFORTS WERE CONTINUING TO MAKE CHANGES HE
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HAD REQUESTED. OKCUN ALSO SAID THAT IF THE REPORT IS ISSUED
IN ITS PRESENT FORM (I.E., MODIFIED PER REF B), HE IS
CONVINCED IT WILL DO SERIOUS DAMAGE TO TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS,
AND IT MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER UNSPECIFIED EFFECTS.

3. YEGEN SAID OKCUN HAD ASKED THAT HIS COMMENTS BE
REPORTED TO WASHINGTON AND THAT HIS REQUEST FOR THE DELETION

OF THE PORTIONS DEALING WITH THE KURDISH PROBLEM AND THE CYPRUS
PROBLEM BE REITERATED.
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